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The average daily circulation of the Barre Daily Times for the week ending Saturday was

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copies, the largest paid circulation of any daily paper in this section.

Along with the ice trust goes trust in ice—both hazardous these days.

The granite concern which moved from St. Johnsbury to Barre didn't ask tax-exemption. There must be something wrong somewhere.

The town of Johnson, too, licks for a place with the live, progressive Vermont communities, having had more building operations this year than for a dozen years past. How do we know? This Johnson's Roswell says so.

We trust that the recent effusion of praise for the women editors of Vermont is not responsible for the defection from the ranks of Miss Josephine M. Woods of the St. Johnsbury Republican, who has entered banking.

One of the minor advantages of the Canadian annexation to the United States, in which Goldwin Smith still has faith, would be the abolishing of the notorious "line houses," which defy the laws of both countries with considerable success.

President Taft has his mind made up to appoint Horace H. Lorton as supreme court judge, and he stuck to his determination, regardless of some protest. He probably heard just as much in favor of Lorton, so that he knew the probable appointee wasn't all bad, even if there was something about him which did not appeal to certain people. In case the Senate confirms the appointment, it is not likely that Judge Lorton will serve for long, as he is rather well along in years at the outset of his higher judicial career.

VIOLATING SHERIFF TRACY'S CONFIDENCE.

The two prisoners in the Washington county jail who have violated the confidence reposed in them by Sheriff Tracy since the working-out order went into effect were captured, and the first one to try the experiment paid the penalty with a long term in the house of correction, making a precedent which will most probably be followed in the case of the second, when his original term shall have been completed. It has thus been demonstrated that flight is not altogether the safest course to pursue, nor the most expeditious to ultimate freedom. The law has a long arm and a good memory.

BARRE STORES READY.

Lest the impression might prevail in the districts around Barre, whose people have been wont to come to Barre for their shopping, that, because of the labor tie-up, the merchants of this city are not prepared for Christmas trade, we wish to state that shoppers will find just as attractive stores and as complete lines as they are accustomed to see. As a matter of fact, the merchants had generally stocked up for the holiday trade before the labor disturbance broke upon the public, and they, therefore, have the goods which were ordered at that time. So shoppers from the outlying districts will do well to follow their custom and come to Barre during the three weeks which are now at hand, confident that there is no better place in the state for retail trading.

MISQUOTED AGAIN?

Is the wicked and malevolent reporter still abroad and plying his trade without fear of punishment? One would believe so by reading an Orange, N. J., dispatch in the New York Sun of yesterday, detailing the funeral of the late Edgar O. Silver, a noted and loyal son of the Green Mountain state. And United States District Judge James L. Martin seems to have been the butt of the reporter's malevolence, for Judge Martin is reported as saying in his eulogy of Mr. Silver that "to him alone was Vermont indebted for having the finest state building at the recent Jamestown exposition." Or was this a mild bit of sarcasm, miserably placed? One cannot believe it of Judge Martin. It must have been a real case of misrepresentation, or misquoting. How long since that Vermont's little \$4,000 bungalow at Jamestown was considered the "finest state building" at the exposition? Certainly Vermont does not wish to be made the object of ridicule any more over this matter of our representation at the Virginia exposition. The thing has been a plague and a sore long enough already. Such a statement, to a Vermonter and to those who visited the exposition, is an absurdity. And we do not believe that Judge Martin said it.

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CURRENT COMMENT

Brotherly Solicitude.

It must have been a false report. Joe Sault of the Ludlow Tribune is too old in the game to allow Sunshine Steamship Ballards' cigars to smoke him out of commission. Indigestion is caused by what you eat and not by smoke. Seriously, we were sorry to learn of Bro. Sault's illness and especially glad to learn that it was not of a serious character.—Waterbury Record.

Danger of Cheap Candy.

A girl in Brandon is just getting out of a hospital, her life having been saved with difficulty. The cause of all this trouble is said to be eating of cheap candy. There is something for mothers to consider. Children allowed to buy candy by themselves will naturally buy the kind that they get the most for their money. The fact that it looks pretty and tastes sweet is what counts with them—except quantity. But here is a real source of danger to the child's life, more persistent than the germs of epidemic disease which may be floating in the air. By cheap candy is not meant inexpensive candies which are not expensive but are uncolored, and they are not injurious.—Bradford Opinion.

Ludlow's Business Attitude.

Ludlow wants new industries, and is willing to do her part in the securing of them. The committee sent to Maryland last week took the most direct way of getting at the end in view. They ignored mediation by a third party and went straight to the individuals most concerned in the proposition. They made a plain showing of Ludlow's position in the matter, corrected some wrong impressions, and demonstrated the town's readiness to take care of the brush factory proposition in good shape. When Ludlow shall have voted, as she certainly will, to exempt the company from taxation for a period of years, she will have done all she can in the premises.

As to the other industrial "probabilities" mentioned in the report of Tuesday night's meeting, the board of trade is moving in a practical way, and is likely to be cordially backed by the community.

It is the "keeping everlastingly at" this sort of thing that counts, and Ludlow is on the right track.—Ludlow Tribune.

Keeping the Power.

The Vergennes Vermonter urges the adoption of a constitutional amendment "forbidding the taking of water power out of the township in which it was placed by nature without the consent of a majority of the voters and tax payers of such township." The Vermonter says that "By every moral law it is wrong to thus take power away. It affects the value of every foot of real estate in the town from which it is taken. Therefore every tax payer, every voter should have a voice in saying where it should be used and the right to veto taking it away." The next city representative from Vergennes, from Middlebury, Salisbury, Weybridge, etc., should be elected on this issue. Men should be chosen who would be influential in securing the passage of such an amendment. It means more to towns in which great water power exists than any other one thing.

The principle laid down by the Vermonter is subject to exceptions, it would appear to a man up a tree. If we understood the Vermonter's plan would at once stop all advance and improvement. Thus should the great water power that has been developed near Brattleboro be kept in the town of Vernon (population 600) where one end of the dam is anchored? Or again, should that other great water power be limited to Cavendish Gorge, or that big Montpelier enterprise to Bolton Falls? Are electric lights and trolley cars to be eliminated?—Burlington News.

Battery Park for Champlain Memorial.

It is now evident that Vermont and New York will not erect a joint memorial to Samuel Champlain, the discoverer of the body of water between those two states that bears his name. Vermont must erect as good a memorial as it is possible to him on its own territory and New York proposes to do the same. On the Vermont commission composed of strong Vermonters, rests the responsibility of determining the location and character of that memorial. Ise La Motte is suggested as the most suitable spot from an historic standpoint and the strength of its historical claim cannot be disputed. This country has had some experience in historically located memorials, however, that does not encourage a continuation of that class of memorials. A few months ago the press told us of the neglected condition of a memorial to Gen. Stark at his old home in New Hampshire, now an isolated spot with all the features of a deserted farm. Somewhere in the town of Fairfield hidden by undergrowth is a memorial to Chester A. Arthur on his historic birthplace. A memorial to Gen. Stannard in Georgia was given a long distance dedication recently because it rained and no one wanted to face the storm to reach its historically correct location. So the historic value of a spot does not always make it the most desirable. Vermont can best expend its money in honor of Champlain by erecting a memorial where it can always be reached by the public, where it can be seen by the travelers on the lake, and where it will always be cared for in a way that will add to its attractiveness. There is only one spot where all these conditions can be secured and that is in Battery park in Burlington. By erecting its memorial there Vermont will not be aiding Burlington in any material way but it will be showing high honor to the noted discoverer and will be doing the greatest credit to itself.—St. Johnsbury Caledonian.

John Battles of West Rutland had a narrow escape from a serious accident Thursday morning. He kindles the fires in several of the Vermont Marble Company's boilers in the quarries and goes down the quarry ladders about 5 o'clock in the morning. As he was making the descent Thursday, he slipped on some ice and in saving himself from a fall the length of the ladder he struck his right elbow, fracturing it.

Mrs. R. C. Whitcomb of Ludlow tripped on a rug recently and fell, breaking her shoulder.



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JINGLES AND JESTS

Happy Thought.

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Not That Kind.

Charlie came to the doctor's office in a state of great excitement and said: "Please, doctor, come right straight down to see Freddy. Mother says he's wreathed in agony."—Delicestor.

The Responsible Party.

Visiting Relative—How aristocratic your father looks with all that gray hair! The Naughty Son—Yes, and he's got me to thank for it too.—Puck.

Not So Bad.

"I asked my class of small boys if any could tell me the meaning of the word 'apprentice,'" said a teacher recently, "and all looked at me blankly until one lad arose. 'Can you tell me what apprentice means?' I repeated. 'Yes, it means practicing work.'—Exchange.

An Armored Nest.

In the Argentine Republic, says a writer in the Strand Magazine, where the summers are long and hot, it is customary to leave the windows open both day and night during the hottest part of the year. A bird, taking advantage of this, proceeded to build a nest in my room, fixing it firmly to one of the Venetian blinds over the window. The eggs were duly hatched and the young birds fledged. On taking down the empty nest I found it to be practically armored, the outer part being composed almost entirely of old rusty nails woven in among the bars. On counting the nails I found that no fewer than sixty-six had been used, besides some wire and pins taken from my dressing table. The bird was about the size of a robin and very tame.

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MONTPELIER

William Kelleher injured one hand with a drill at the Lane shops one day last week.

Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Allen of St. Louis, who came East with the body of Mrs. Allen's father, Henry L. Kenyon, for interment in his home town of Northfield, were in this city yesterday, and are to visit in St. Albans and Plattsburg before returning to the West.

The bowlers of this city are to get together and play a series of games, two teams having been formed thus far, and it is expected that two more will be organized soon and a regular tournament run off. A prize of \$25 has been offered to the winning team and much interest is shown in the proposition. One team is to be made up of clerks in the State House.

Robert Whelan, one of the oldest engineers in the employ of the Central Vermont railway, was operated upon at the Heaton hospital yesterday for gall stones. He had been in poor health for some time and, as the operation seemed very successful, it is hoped that he may now gain rapidly.

Oscar K. Richardson, a native of Waitsfield, died recently at his home in Minneapolis, Minn., of heart failure. He was 42 years of age and at the age of eight years went with his parents to Minneapolis. He was a nephew of O. H. Richardson of this city and left a wife and a nine-year-old daughter.

The grade in the Union school, taught by Mrs. W. E. Ferrill, reopened this morning after being closed on account of a case of scarlet fever there. All danger of contagion by the children is now past. The two grades in the parochial school, which were closed on account of a case of diphtheria, also opened to-day and, as there was only one case each of scarlet fever and diphtheria, and the children have almost wholly recovered, all fear of an epidemic is past, and every precaution has been taken toward this end. The city has been remarkably free from contagious diseases this season.

And Yet the King Died.

During the fatal illness of King Charles II. of England there were fourteen doctors in attendance, and they dosed him in the course of five and a half days with the following drugs and powders: Orange infusion of the metals, white vitriol dissolved in compound poney water, powder of sacred bitter, sirup of buckthorn, common decoction for clysters, rock salt, emetic wine, two blend pills, bryony compound, powder of white belladonna roots, powder of cowslip flowers, best manna, cream of tartar, barley and liquorice, sweet almond kernels, sal ammoniac, antidotal milk water, mullein root, melon seeds, chicken broth, bark of elm, a julep of black cherry water, flowers of lime, lilac of the valley, spirit of lavender, prepared pearls and white sugar candy, musk leaves, ale, sirup of cloves, Goa stone, Rhine wine, oriental besoar stone and a number of other medicines.

Society's Mandates.

Society can and does execute its own mandates, and if it issues wrong mandates instead of right or any mandates at all in things with which it ought not to meddle it practices a social tyranny more formidable than many kinds of political oppression, since, though not usually upheld by such extreme penalties, it leaves fewer means of escape, penetrating much more deeply into the details of life and enslaving the soul itself.—John Stuart Mill.

The Ubiquitous Purist.

Vicar—I'm sorry to hear you've been so poorly. You must pray for a good heart, Thomas. Thomas—Ya-as, sir. But it's my liver wot be wrong, ye know, sir.—London Telegraph.

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